

Remarks

Claims 11 through 18 are newly submitted herewith in replacement of prior Claims 1 through 10, which have been canceled.

It is respectfully submitted that the amended claims place the application into condition for allowance. Such action is earnestly solicited.

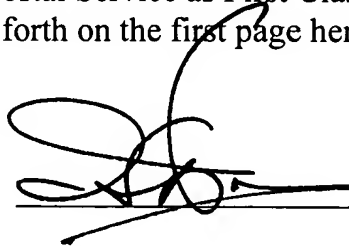
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